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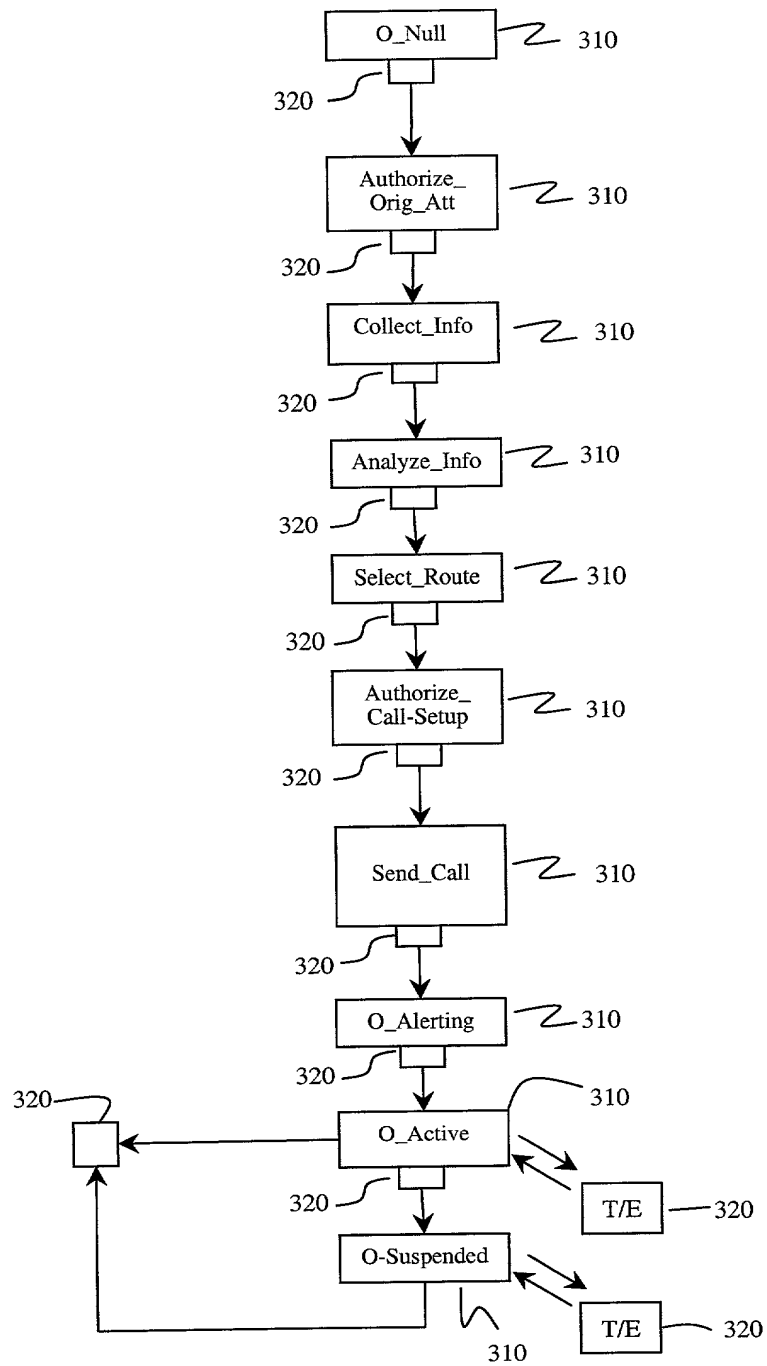
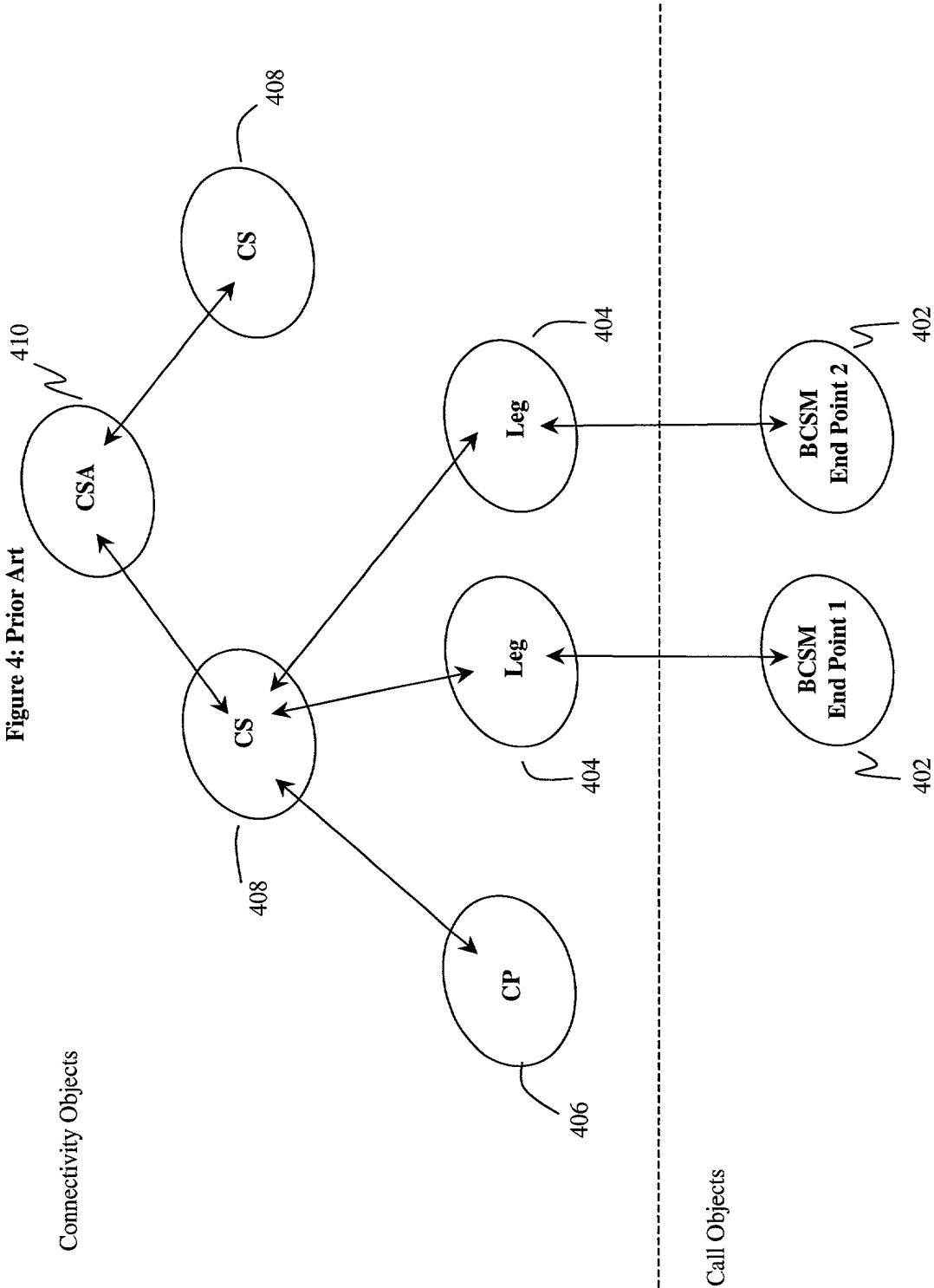


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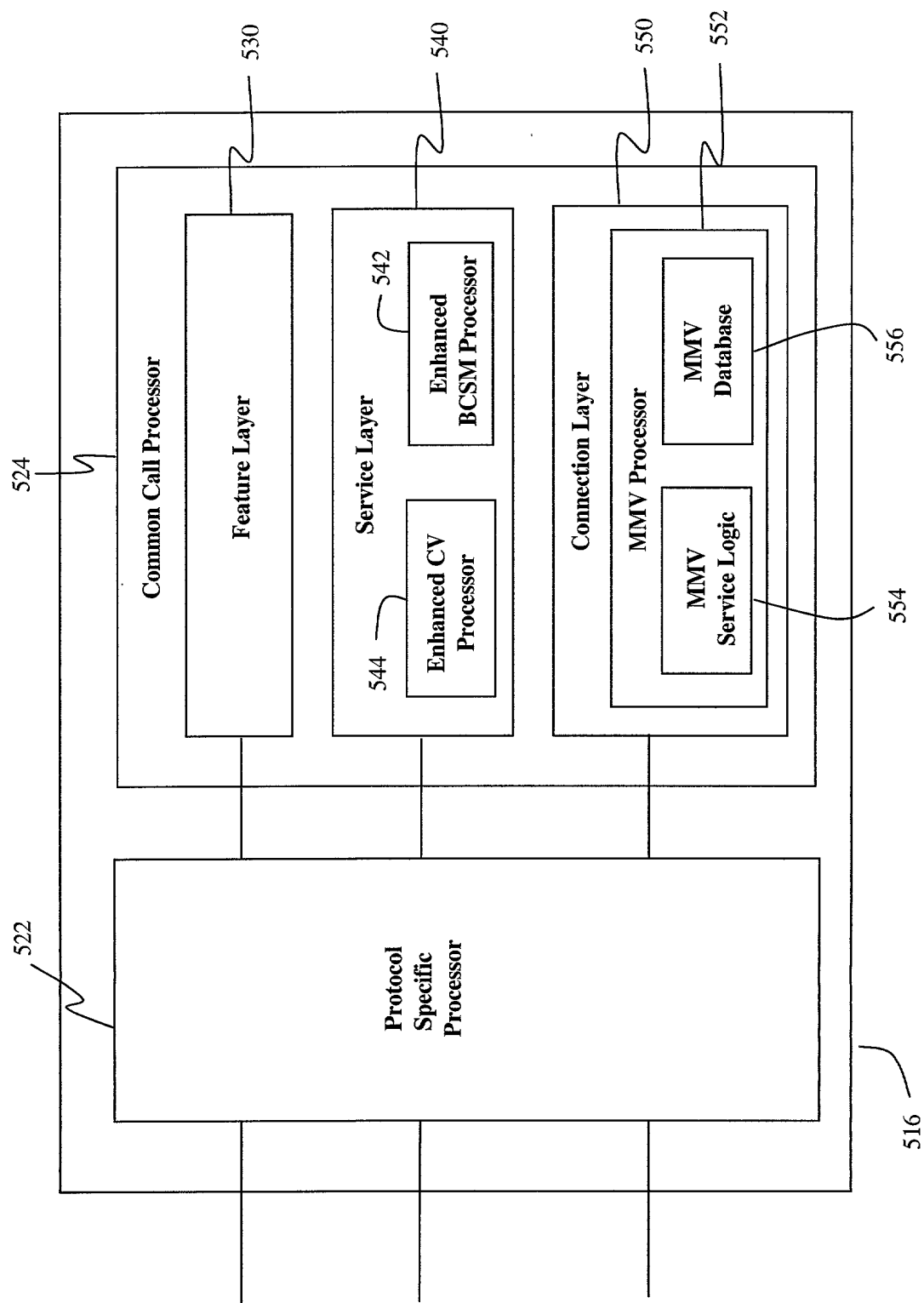


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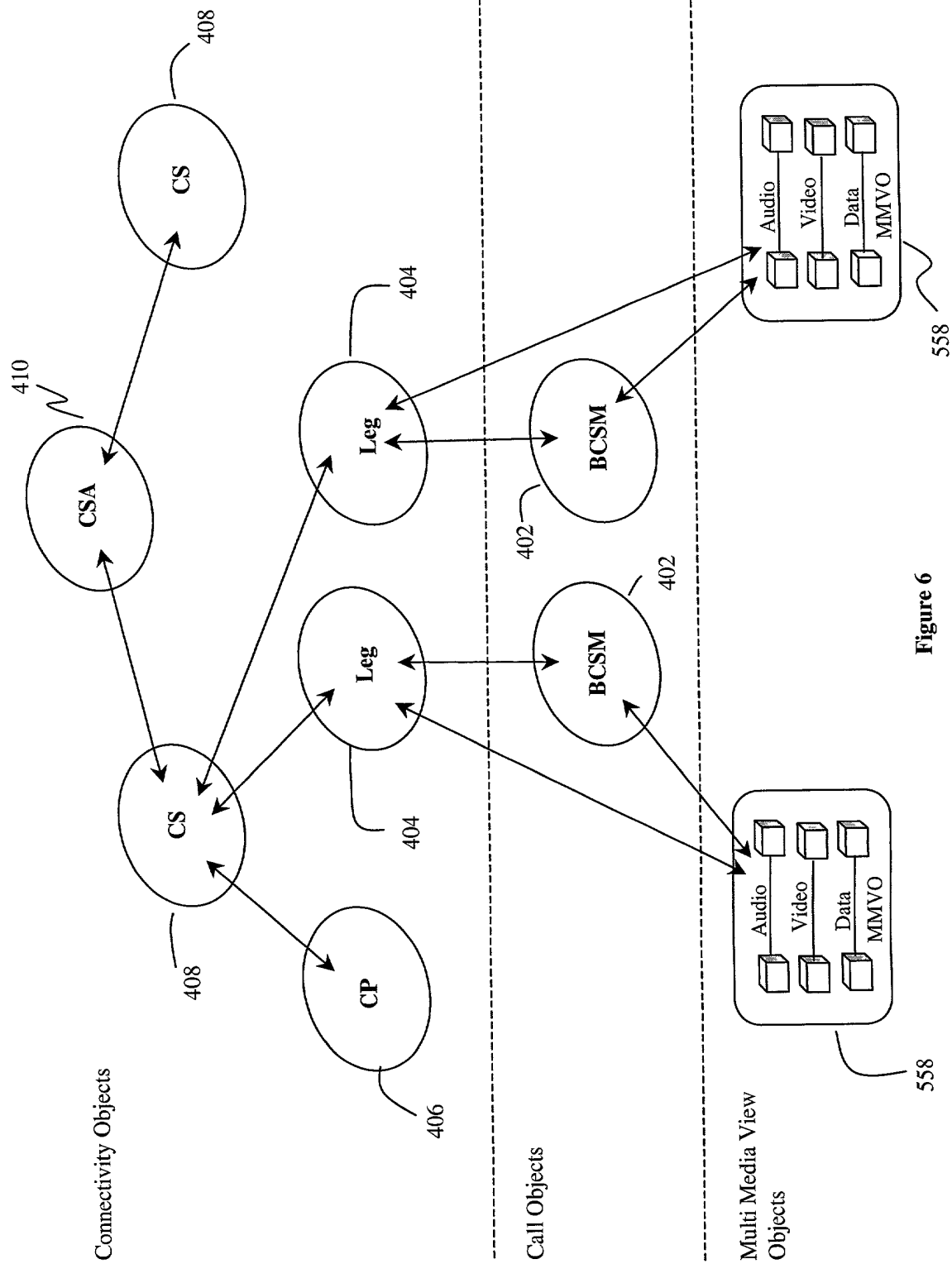


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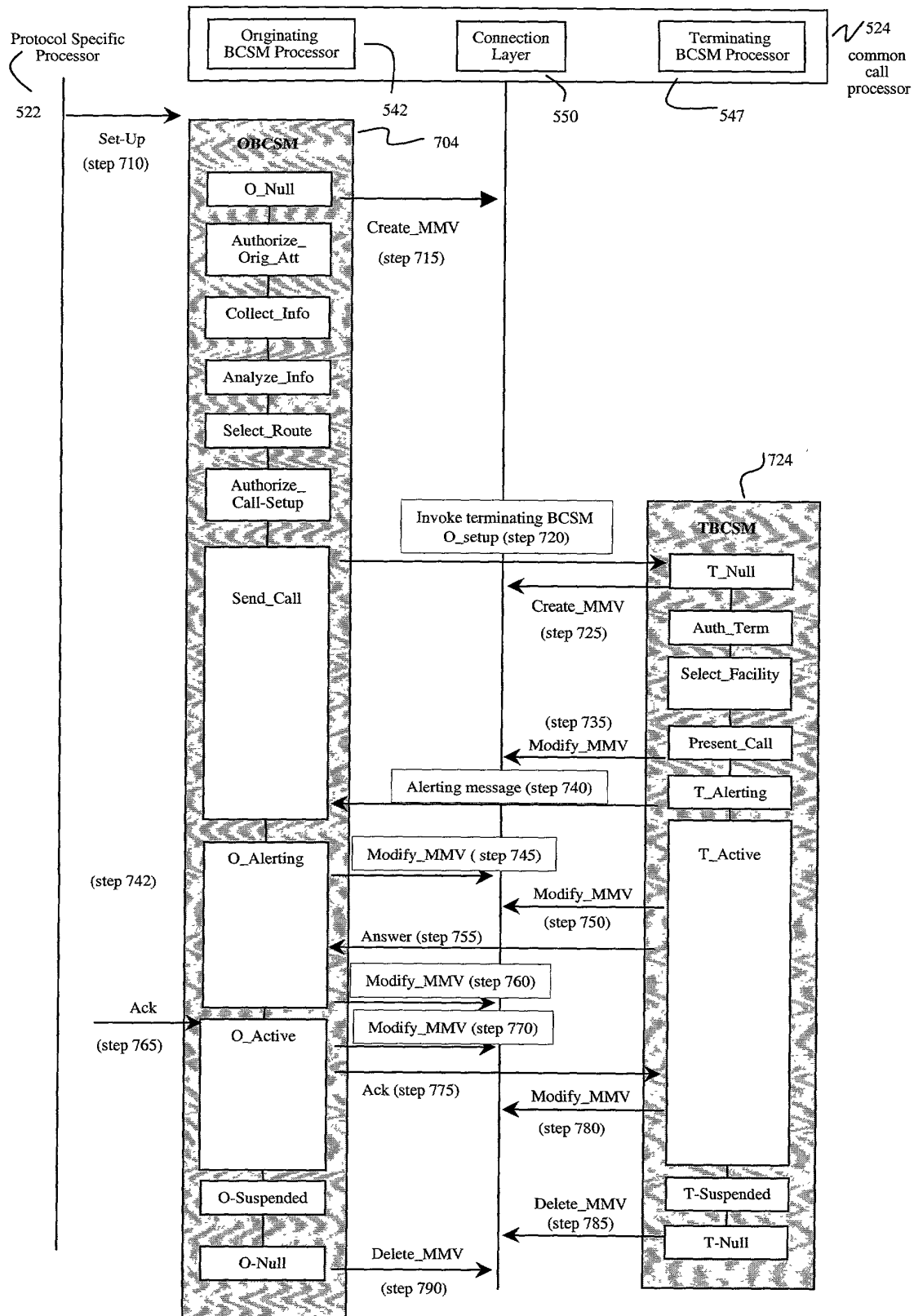


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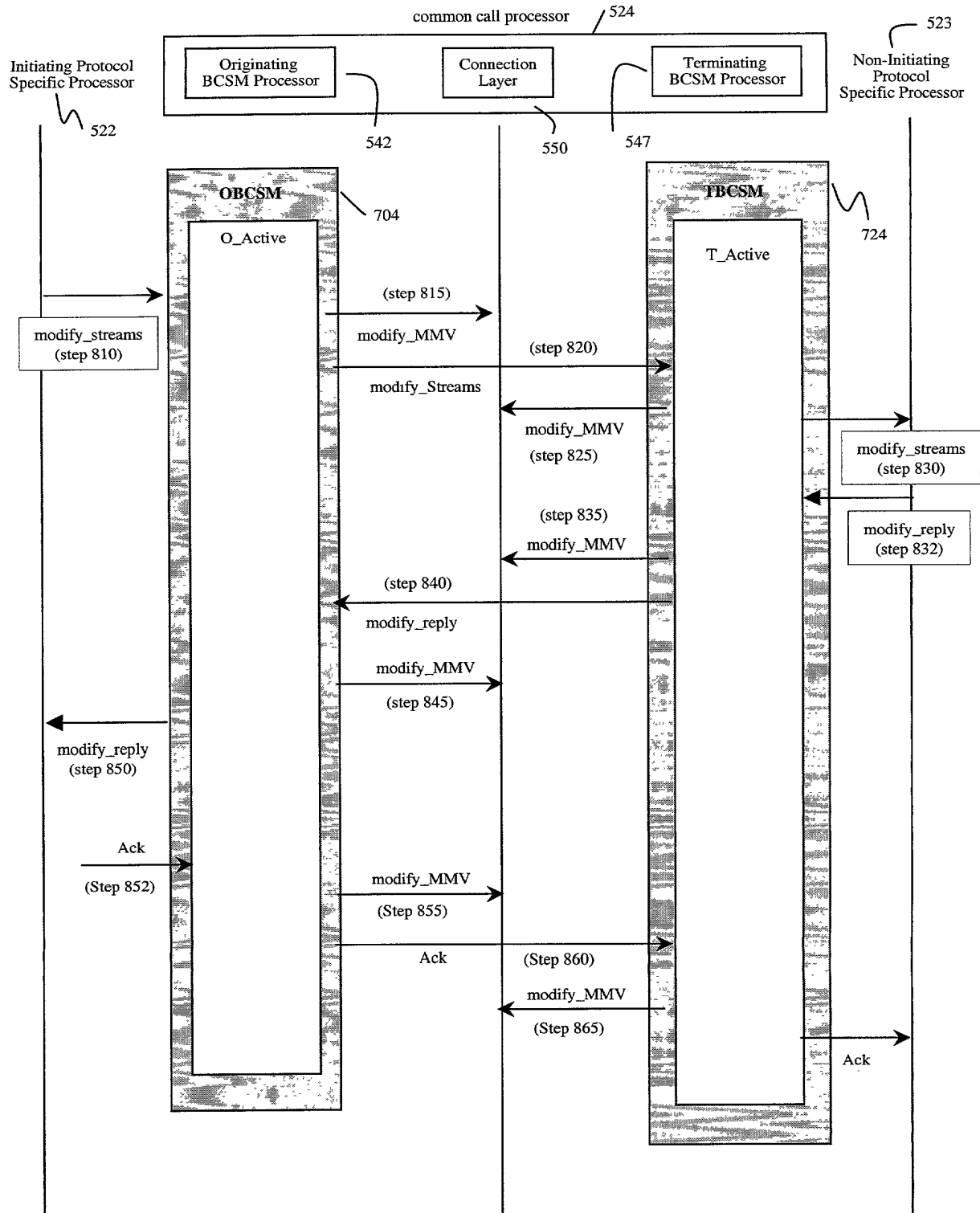


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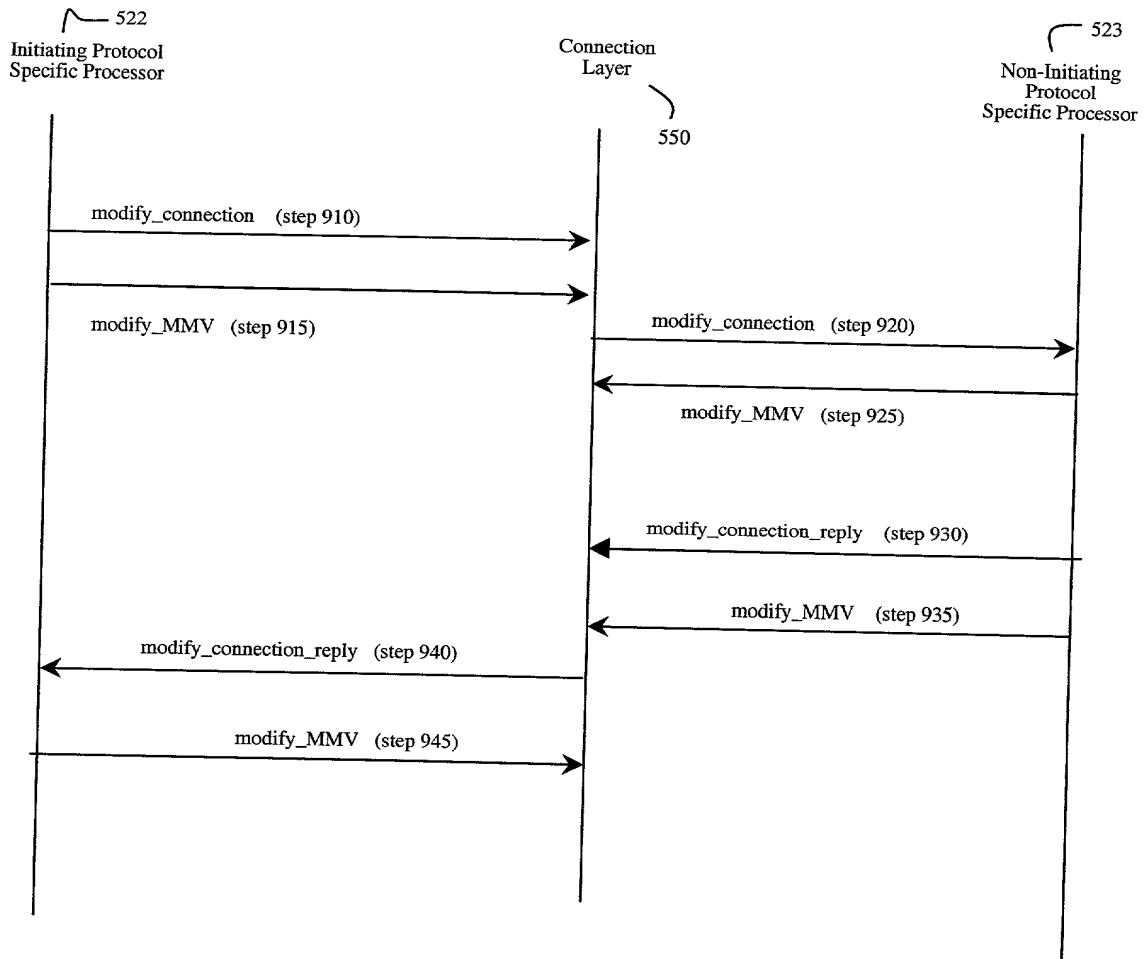


Figure 9

Figure 10 is a network diagram illustrating a multi-access packet network architecture. A central 'Backbone Packet Net' (106) is connected to three 'Access Packet Nets' (104). Each 'Access Packet Net' (104) is connected to an 'Access G/W' (108) and a 'Backbone G/W' (110). The 'Access G/W' (108) is connected to a 'SM' (516A, 516B, 516C) and a group of devices (121A, 121B, 121C). The 'Backbone G/W' (110) is connected to a 'SM' (516A, 516B, 516C).